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## MINUTES OF COMMUNITY BOARD #10 MEETING

February 21, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Villa Barone Manor  
737 Throggs Neck Expressway  
Bronx, New York 10465

**PRESENT:** H. Acampora, T. Accomando, R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, T. Chambers, Col. W. Chin, A. Chirico, T. Franklin, I. Guanill, M. Johnson, D. Krynicki, J. Kuhl, M. Morris, M.J. Musano, D. Noble, J. Onwu, L. Popovic, J. Russo, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, T. Smith, J. Thomas (total # present = 25)

*The following Board members either arrived late or left early, however, this did not affect quorum:  
T. Chambers, M. Johnson, J. Russo*

**ABSENT:** L. Council, M. Davila, D. Hunt, J. Marano, B. Martinez, J. McQuade, J. Ortiz, C. Papastefanou, A. Ponder, J. Robert, R. Rodriguez, N. Rosario, P. Sullivan, M. Velazquez, S. Woods (total # absent = 15)

**Community Liaisons:** Naureen Akhtar – Office of U.S. Congress Member A. Ocasio-Cortez  
Andy Toledo – Office of Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.  
Ashley Meza – Office of State Senator Jamaal Bailey  
Leon Tulton - Office of State Assembly Member Michael Benedetto  
Ted Pryor - Office of City Council Member Mark Gjonaj

**Board #10 Staff:** Matt Cruz, District Manager  
Susan Duffy

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairperson Irene Guanill began the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Guanill introduced Senator Jamaal Bailey who presented a Citation to District Manager Matthew Cruz. Ms. Guanill then introduced Mr. Roy Koshy from the Conflicts of Interest Board who conducted COI training for Board members.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:**

1 – R. Jaen, President, Throggs Neck Merchants: Mr. Jaen invited the community to attend next Wednesday’s merchant meeting at the Villa Barone Restaurant; meeting will be open microphone. He discussed the news coverage of traffic accidents along East Tremont Avenue

and other issues in the Throggs Neck; wants traffic lighting addressed and asked the Board for assistance.

- 2 – M. Flood, Trinity Danish Young People’s Society, Dean Avenue: Mr. Flood was not able to attend the Feb. 5 Economic Development Committee meeting and came to the full Board meeting on Feb. 21.
- 3 – E. Sementilli, Pelham Bay Community Improvement & Safety Organization: Mr. Sementilli congratulated Mr. Cruz on receiving a citation from Senator Bailey; Mr. Sementilli would like to see more recognition to community board members.
- 4 – K. Daloia, Chair of Bronx Transportation Alternatives: Mr. Daloia created a petition on [change.org](http://change.org) to be presented to Bronx CB 10 on several issues involving traffic, street lighting and accidents; this petition has over 250 signatures. He is asking that the Board support a request to DOT for a review of the intersection.
- 5 – A. Salimbene, CB #10 member, Veterans Services Committee: Mr. Salimbene talked about RTM (reconsolidation of traumatic memories protocol) therapy for veterans with what was formerly referred to as PTSD. The RTM therapy involves no drugs and has a 93% success rate.
- 6 – L. Leich, Assistant Chief, Throggs Neck Volunteer Ambulance Corps: on May 18<sup>th</sup> TNVAC will be celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary; CPR and First Aid classes will be held at \$50 pp; contact the Corps for additional information, 718-430-9501, 3955 East Tremont Avenue, 10465; [www.tnvac.us](http://www.tnvac.us)
- 7 – P. Johnson, NYC Department of Education: talked about the Community Education Council elections for parents of public school children. The term is two years for grades K-8. Contact Ms. Johnson at [pjohnson19@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:pjohnson19@schools.nyc.gov).
- 8 – L. Nye: On Saturday March 9 there will be a 5k run on City Island; proceeds will go to the City Island Theatre Club. Contact Ms. Nye for additional information [lnye1610@gmail.com](mailto:lnye1610@gmail.com).
- 9 – J. Lyons, Regional Individual/Community Preparedness Manager: the American Red Cross has a campaign called Sound the Alarm which provides free smoke alarms as well as providing tips on emergency preparedness. For additional information, contact [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) to apply. Applications are also available in the CB#10 office.
- 10 – L. Brown, NYPL Baychester Branch: Ms. Brown talked about upcoming programs for March; library is open to 6 p.m. on Fridays. Check library website for additional information.
- 11 – L. Rocco, Westchester Square Civic Association: Mr. Rocco is concerned about the use of NYPD at Council Member Gjonaj’s meeting; feels it takes away from needed resources. Mr. Rocco also expressed concerns about quality of life issues such as the blocking of hydrants, dumping of vehicles that need towing.
- 12 – A. Cottam and A. Graccon, college students and residents of CB #10: Mr. Cottam and Mr. Graccon have proposed a skate park in Orchard Beach, which has the support of Council Member Gjonaj. Petitions have been gathered and meetings with Council Member Gjonaj, NYC Department of Parks & Recreation and the Parks & Recreation Committee of Bronx CB

#10 were held. Mr. Cottam and Mr. Graccon have requested the support of the full Board of Bronx CB #10.

- 13 – Naureen Akhter, Deputy District Director for U.S. Congress Member Ocasio-Cortez: Ms. Akhter informed the community that an Inaugural Address will be held on Saturday Feb. 23 at the Renaissance H.S. / Lehman Campus. In addition the Congress Member will be using a mobile van throughout the District for constituent services; it is currently at the Pelham Parkway Library. A permanent office will be 7409 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Jackson Heights, NY.
- 15 – Leon Tulton, Office of Assemblyman Benedetto: the tax prep services for seniors is now closed; Mr. Tulton advised the community to check the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs website for links on where to get tax preparation assistance.
- 16 – E. Pryor, Council Member Gjonaj's Office: Mr. Pryor said Council Member Gjonaj is in full support of the proposed Orchard Beach skate park. Mr. Pryor noted the following events and said to call 718-931-1721 for more information: Monday Feb. 25 at the Hutchinson Metro Center the Council Member is holding a development and zoning town hall; free tax prep services scheduled for March 8 and April 5 between 9am-5pm, income limit is \$66,000 annually, appointments necessary; March 27 a housing town hall for tenant services Westchester Square Library from 4pm-6pm; April 3 mammogram bus for women ages 40-79 from 9am-4:30pm; and May 6, Blood Drive, 9am-5pm.
- 17 – A. Toledo, Office of Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.: see Borough President's Report (below).

A motion to close the Public Participation Session was made by Mr. Salimbene, seconded by Mr. Accomando, and unanimously approved by all.

A motion to accept the minutes from the **January 17, 2019** Bronx Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Accomando, and unanimously approved by all.

### **BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Additional information can be found about the topics noted below and information on the upcoming State of the Borough address on the Borough President's website: [bronxboropres@nyc.gov](mailto:bronxboropres@nyc.gov).

Mr. Toledo congratulated Mr. Cruz on the Citation received from Senator Jamaal Bailey, as well as recognizing the efforts of volunteers and community activists. The Borough President has openings for CEC representatives and is accepting applications, contact Mr. Toledo or Mr. Lucania at [atoledo@bronxbp.nyc.gov](mailto:atoledo@bronxbp.nyc.gov), [tlucania@bronxbp.nyc.gov](mailto:tlucania@bronxbp.nyc.gov). There will be a construction job fair on March 13<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am-5 pm at 851 Grand Concourse, sponsored by the Office of the Borough President and the BOEDC and the Department of Labor.

### **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr.Cruz

Mr. Cruz informed the community of the following events and topics:

- March 30, 2019, 10 am – 2 pm, Shredding Event and Rain Barrel Giveaway; location is the Greek School on Bruckner Boulevard, flyers will be sent out in early March.

- Health Fair, April 13, 2019, IS 192 Campus on Hollywood Avenue
- The Board is purchasing Go Bags from the NYC Office of Emergency Management which will contain emergency supplies. These bags will be distributed throughout the community. Asks that Executive Board approve of such request at upcoming Executive Board.
- Applications for a review of property tax assessments are due by March 15.
- March 12, 2019, 7:30 p.m. Housing & Zoning Committee will meet with Fordham University and representatives concerning a BSA permit for the University's Rowing Club. It will also discuss a 6 story medical building at 801 Co-op City Boulevard with limited parking on site.
- Municipal Services Committee is meeting on March 13, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Members need to submit questions/concerns prior to the meeting. A possible visit from the 45<sup>th</sup> Precinct's new captain, Thomas Fraser, is scheduled as well as meeting with the Government Affairs Representative. April's Municipal Services Committee meeting hopes to have the MTA Bridges and Tunnels Government Affairs representative present. A resource event with the NYC Department of Finance will be scheduled for late March and the Board will partner with a neighborhood Civic Association.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Ms. Guanill and Mr. Cruz for Mr. Sullivan

The Committee did not meet in February. The Documents Group By-Laws document was forwarded to the members of the Executive Board for review. This document has been presented to the full Board and will be voted on at the March 21, 2019 meeting. A Nominations Committee will be created next month and nominations from the floor at and email will be accepted until May 16, 2019. In addition, the following three resolutions will be voted on at the March 21, 2019 Full Board meeting:

- "**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Chairperson of Bronx Community Board #10 that the Nominations and Elections Procedures be suspended due to conflicts with attendance requirements and in light of the recent implementation of Community Board term limits and that this be forwarded to the full Board for approval."
- "**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Chairperson of Bronx Community Board #10 that the Veterans Committee be dissolved due to poor attendance and that this be forwarded to the full Board for approval."
- "**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Chairperson of Bronx Community Board #10 that a Veterans Group be established and placed under the jurisdiction of the Health and Human Services Committee and to appoint Anthony Salimbene as the Liaison of Community Board #10 to all veterans groups in the Borough of the Bronx and that this be forwarded to the full Board for approval."

### **HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE:** Mr. Popovic

The Committee did not meet in January due to weather. The next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2019 at which time the property on Country Club Road, purchased by Fordham University for its rowing team, will be discussed as well as the property at 801 Co-op City Boulevard, 10475.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on February 5, 2019. The minutes are self-explanatory. There were resolutions for renewal and new liquor licenses.

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments applying for renewal licenses have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:

\*Havana Café, 3151 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between LaSalle & Coddington Aves, License #124896, which expires on 02/28/2019.

\*Locust Point Yacht Club, 21 Longstreet Ave, 10465, between Tierney Pl & the Sound, License #1003339, which expires on 02/28/2019.

\*Trump Golf Links, 500 Hutchinson River Pkwy, 10465, between Hutchinson River Pkwy No & So Service Roads, License #1283918, 19, 20, 21, which expire on 02/28/2019.

\*Ohana Tremont, 3604C E Tremont Ave, 10465, between, Lafayette & Philip Aves, License #1299246, which expires on 02/28/2019.

\*City Island Yacht Club, 63 Pilot St, 10464, between City Island Ave & the Sound, License #1003330, which expires on 02/28/2019.

\*Trinity Danish Young People’s Society, 808 Dean Ave, 10465, between Lafayette & Philip Aves, License #1004611, which expired on 10/31/18 (Seasonal)

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Ms. Baez and voted on as follows: (1) abstention and the remainder in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments applying for new licenses, have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:

\*3764 E Tremont Restaurant, 3764 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Randall & Roosevelt Aves, License # NEW. **(Formerly Cabo)**

<b>Indoor</b>							
<b>Hours:</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thur</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
	12PM-12AM	12PM-12AM	12PM-12AM	12PM-12AM	12PM-2AM	12PM-4AM	12PM-4AM
<b>MOP:</b>	<b>DJ, Recorded Music</b>						

**Outdoor**

**Hours:** Sun Mon Tues Wed Thur Fri Sat  
12PM-12AM 12PM-12AM 12PM-12AM 12PM-12AM 12PM-12AM 12PM-1AM 12PM-1AM

**MOP:** DJ, Recorded Music

**NOTE:** This establishment will be filing an application for an Outdoor Sidewalk Café with the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs.

\*Dano’s Restaurant Corp, 435 Hunter Ave, 10464, between Ditmars & Bowne Sts, License #NEW

**Indoor**

**Hours:** Sun Mon Tues Wed Thur Fri Sat  
11AM-12AM 11AM-12AM 11 AM -12AM 11 AM -12AM 11AM-12AM 11AM-1AM 11AM-1AM

**MOP:** Juke Box, DJ, Live Music, Video Games

**Outdoor**

**Hours:** Sun Mon Tues Wed Thur Fri Sat  
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A discussion among Board members concerning possible noise was raised. If problems arise after opening, the establishment will be contacted. The establishment is geared more toward families. It was also noted that the New York State SLA permits all establishments to remain open until 4:00 a.m. District Manager Cruz reminded Board Members that e-mails with regard to liquor licenses occur at the end of each month. All that are interested must attend the Committee meeting.

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Popovic, seconded by Ms. Chambers and voted on as follows: (1) abstention, (4) opposed with the remainder in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

**YOUTH SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Mr. Bieder

The Committee met on January 28, 2019. Minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Bieder went over the items in the minutes. He also thanked Mrs. Kilkenny for her work in coordinating the Yankee Youth Leadership Scholarship.

A motion was drafted in support of a charter high school, contingent upon a location within the CB #10 area as follows:

**“Resolved...**at the recommendation of the Youth & Education Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that a letter of support be sent to East Side Settlement House concerning the establishment of a charter high school, contingent upon a location suitable to the community within the CB #10 area, and that this be forwarded to the full Board for approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Salimbene, seconded by Mr. Franklin and voted on as follows: (3) recusals and the remainder in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Russo

The Committee met on February 13, 2019. The minutes are self-explanatory. There was one street activity permit:

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that the following event be forwarded to the full Board for approval:

Event ID: 461861, Section 2 Fun Day, Cooper Place between Carver Loop and Casals Place, Setup date/time 6/22/19 10 a.m., start time 12 p.m. end time 6 p.m., breakdown 7 p.m.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Ms. Baez and voted on as follows: all members voted in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

**PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Mr. Franklin

The Committee met on, 2019. The minutes are self-explanatory. A motion to support the creation of a skate park in Section 4 of Orchard Beach was presented:

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that is supports a plan to develop a skate park in Section 4 of Orchard Beach and this be forwarded to the full Board for approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Ms. Guanill and voted on as follows: all members voted in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

**HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES:** Bishop Rosario

The Committee did not meet in January due to the weather. The Committee will meet on February 28, 2019. Executive Director of Weiler Hospital will be in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Celebration of Life Event at the Eastwood Manor 3-9 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, 2019 for Tauren Council, Lauren Council’s daughter.

A brief discussion on the proposed By-Law changes which are to be voted on at the March 21, 2019 full Board meeting took place. It was requested that the following be added: If a member has been removed from a committee and subsequently determined to be cleared, that member may be eligible to run for an Executive Board position. If a member has been removed and not cleared, that member may not run for an Executive Board position for two years.

In addition, it was also recommended that attendance issues and removal of committee membership be handled in Executive Session only.

Motion to close the, 2019 Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Franklin, seconded by Mr. Salimbene and unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

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This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of **February 21, 2019**.

  
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PETER CANTILLO  
Secretary, Bronx Community Board #10

Dated: **March 8, 2019**